Listing of Claims

- 1. (Currently Amended) An isolated strain <u>culture</u> of <u>Muscodor vitigenus</u> and variants thereof, wherein the culture is <u>Muscodor vitigenus</u> 2116 and capable of producing a product comprising <u>substantially</u> naphthalene.
- 2. (Previously Presented) A composition comprising the isolated culture of claim 1 and at least one carrier.
- 3. (Original) The composition of claim 2, wherein the carrier is an agriculturally acceptable carrier.
 - 4. (Original) The composition of claim 3, wherein said carrier is soil.
- 5. (Currently Amended) A method of repelling an insect from a first composition comprising contacting said first composition with a second composition comprising an isolated culture of *M. vitigenus* 2116.
 - 6. (Original) A method according to claim 5 wherein said first composition is a plant.
- 7. (Original) A method according to claim 6 wherein said plant is a plant part selected from the group consisting of seeds, fruits, stems, leaves and roots.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 6 or 7 wherein said second composition is soil inoculated with an the isolated culture of *M. vitigenus* 2116.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The culture of claim 1, wherein the naphthalene comprises a naphthalene derivative 2-methyl naphthalene, 1-methoxy naphthalene or a combination thereof.
 - 10. (Currently Amended) An isolated culture of *Muscodor vitigenus* and variants thereof,

wherein the culture is <u>Muscodor vitigenus 2116 and</u> capable of producing naphthalene at a rate of from about 5 ng hr⁻¹ to about $\frac{15}{150}$ ng hr⁻¹.

- 11. (Currently Amended) The culture of claim 10, wherein the naphthalene comprises a naphthalene derivative 2-methyl naphthalene, 1-methoxy naphthalene or a combination thereof.
 - 12. (New) The culture of claim 10, wherein the rate is about 5 ng hr⁻¹ to about 12 ng hr⁻¹.